GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

EFS&T Department - Diversion of 0.99 Ha of forest land in Compt. No. 132 of Mangalagiri Block in Tadepalli RF for construction of 132/33 KV Sub-Station, AIIMS at Mangalagiri in Guntur District, in favour of Executive Engineer, Construction Division, A.P TRANSCO, Guntur. - Permission accorded - Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (Section-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 72 **Dated: 06-07-2018**
Read the following:-

1. From PCCF & HoFF, AP, Lr.No.6280/2017/ FCA-3, Dt.22-5-2017
2. State Govt. Letter No.2195/Section-II/2017, dated.8-6-2017.
3. From GoI, MoEF, Lr.No.4-APB037/2017-CHN/0970, dated:20-6-2017.
4. State Govt. Lr.No.2195/Section-II/2017, Dt.14-6-2018.
5. From GoI, MoEF, Lr.No.4-APB037/2017-CHN/0963,dated:25-6-2018.

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ORDER:

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh in his letter 1st read above, had submitted a proposal under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 0.99 Ha of forest land in Compt. No. 132 of Mangalagiri Block in Tadepalli RF for construction of 132/33 KV Sub-Station, AIIMS at Mangalagiri in Guntur District, in favour of Executive Engineer, Construction Division, A.P TRANSCO, Guntur and requested to forward the same to Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests, & Climate Change, for according necessary approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980.

2. The said proposal was sent to Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests, & Climate Change, for their approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 vide State Government letter 2nd read above.

3. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests, & Climate Change, vide their letter 3rd read above, have accorded in-principle (Stage-I) approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for the proposal, subject to compliance of certain conditions as stipulated therein.

4. Accordingly, the State Government vide letter 4th read above, have furnished the compliance report on the conditions stipulated by the Government of India Ministry of Environment, Forests, & Climate Change, while according in-principle (Stage-I) approval.

5. Government of India, Ministry of Environment, Forests, & Climate Change in their letter 5th read above, have accorded (Stage-II) approval under Section-2 of Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, for diversion of 0.99 Ha of forest land in Compt. No. 132 of Mangalagiri Block in Tadepalli RF for construction of 132/33 KV Sub- Station, AIIMS at Mangalagiri in Guntur District, in favour of Executive Engineer, Construction Division, A.P TRANSCO, Guntur, subject to compliance of certain conditions as stipulated therein.

6. Government after careful examination of the proposal, hereby accord permission to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh for diversion of 0.99 Ha of forest land in Compt. No. 132 of Mangalagiri Block in Tadepalli RF for construction of 132/33 KV Sub-Station, AIIMS at Mangalagiri in Guntur District, in favour of Executive Engineer, Construction Division, A.P TRANSCO, Guntur, subject to the following conditions:-

i. Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged

ii. The State Forest Department shall carryout plantation of two times the number of trees to be felled in the diverted forest area and its maintenance in nearby degraded forest land from the amount which has already been realized from

the user agency. CA scheme and map with DGPS co-ordinates of the degraded forest land to be identified for plantation shall be furnished to the Ministry of Environment & Forests & Climate Change.State Forest Department shall ensure that no amount realized for compensatory afforestation is left unspent;

(iii) Additional amount of the Net Present Value (NPV) of the diverted forest land if any, becoming due after revision of the same by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in future, shall be charged by the State Government from the User Agency;

(iv) The User Agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to Ministry of Environment & Forests & Climate Change guidelines F.No 7-25/2012-FC dated 5th May, 2014 and provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulation and Guidelines of the Ministry of Environment & Forests & Climate Change, for the time being in force, as applicable to the transmission line projects.

(v) No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused while executing the project work;

(vi) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government;

(vii) Trees/Bushes standing in the diverted area shall be felled / cleared strictly as per requirement with prior permission of the Divisional Forest Officer concerned;

(viii) The State Forest Department shall translocate the trees, wherever feasible instead of felling at the cost of user agency;

(ix) The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.99 ha and the forest area diverted shall not be used for any purpose other than those shown in the diversion proposal;

(x) The forest land proposed for diversion shall under no circumstances be transferred or sublet to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government;

(xi) The approval under the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980 is subject to the clearance under all other Acts, Rules/ Regulation and Guidelines as may be applicable to such project. User agency and the State Government shall ensure compliance to provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations and Guidelines, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project;

(xii) The Progress of the Compensatory Afforestation under the jurisdiction of the Guntur Forest Division shall be monitored by the Circle Head and a copy of such monitoring report shall be forwarded to the Regional Office to upload the same in the web portal;

(xiii) Any other conditions that the Central Government or Addl. PCCF(Central) of Regional Office, Chennai may impose from time to time in the interest of afforestation, conservation and management of flora and fauna in the area, shall be complied by the user agency;

(xiv) The user agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above conditions to the State Govt. and to the Regional Office, regularly;

(xv) In the event of failure to comply with any of the above conditions the user agency is liable for penal action as decided by the Additional PCCF (Central), Regional Office, Chennai.

7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, Andhra Pradesh, shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

G.ANANTHA RAMU
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force,
Andhra Pradesh, Guntur.

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The Executive Engineer, Construction Division, APTRANSCO, Guntur.
P.S to Hon'ble M(EFS&T)
P.S to Principal Secretary to Government, EFS&T Dept.,
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SECTION OFFICER